

## Committee Meetings

### OVERSIGHT—OMB'S GPRA STRATEGIC PLAN

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on Oversight of OMB's GPRA Strategic Plan. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Paul L. Posner, Director, Budget Issues; and J. Christopher Mihm, Assistant Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division; and Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director, OMB.

### TUCKER ACT SHUFFLE RELIEF ACT; NATO SPECIAL IMMIGRANT AMENDMENTS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 992, amended, Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act of 1997; and H.R. 429, NATO Special Immigrant Amendments of 1997.

### TEXAS LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE DISPOSAL COMPACT ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule on H.R. 629, Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Act, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Commerce. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those Members who have preprinted their amendments in the Congressional Record prior to their consideration. The rule allows the Chairman to postpone recorded votes and to reduce to five minutes the voting time on any postponed question, provided that the voting time on the first in any series of questions is not less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Dan Schaefer of Colorado, Barton of Texas, and Hall of Texas.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry,* to hold hearings on the nomination of Sally Thompson, of Kansas, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Agriculture, and on other pending nominations, 9 a.m., SR-332.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* Subcommittee on Securities to hold joint hearings with the Committee on Finance's Subcommittee on Social Security

and Family Policy and the Committee on Finance's Subcommittee on Health Care, to examine investment based alternatives to the current pay-as-you-go method of financing Social Security and Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,* to hold hearings on the nominations of Terry D. Garcia, of California, to be Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Raymond G. Kammer, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, both of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on S. 725, to convey the Collbran Reclamation Project to the Ute Water Conservancy District and the Collbran Conservancy District, S. 777, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., H.R. 848, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of the AuSable Hydroelectric Project in New York, H.R. 1184, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of the Bear Creek Hydroelectric Project in the State of Washington, H.R. 1217, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Washington, S. 1230, to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal reclamation projects, and S. 841, to authorize construction of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System in the State of Montana, 2 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance,* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy and Subcommittee on Health Care and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs' Subcommittee on Securities, to examine investment based alternatives to the current pay-as-you-go method of financing Social Security and Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations,* to hold hearings to examine the strategic rationale for NATO enlargement, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the Taxation Convention with Austria (Treaty Doc. 104-31), Tax Convention with Ireland (Treaty Doc. 105-31), Taxation Convention with Luxembourg (Treaty Doc. 104-33), Tax Convention with South Africa (Treaty Doc. 105-9), Tax Convention with Swiss Confederation (Treaty Doc. 105-8), Taxation Convention with Thailand (Treaty Doc. 105-2), Taxation Agreement with Turkey (Treaty Doc. 104-30), and Protocol Amending Tax Convention with Canada (Treaty Doc. 105-29), 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* to resume hearings to examine certain matters with regard to the committee's special investigation on campaign financing, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to hold hearings on improving citizens' access to justice, focusing on vindication of property rights, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources,* to hold hearings on the nomination of Charles N. Jeffress, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, 9:45 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Veterans Affairs*, business meeting, to mark up miscellaneous veterans health and benefits bills, including S. 987, S. 714, S. 986, S. 309, S. 464, S. 623, S. 730, S. 801, S. 813, and S. 999, 3 p.m., SR-418.

### NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1940-41 in today's Record.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, hearing on the Review of the Forest Recovery and Protection Act of 1997, 10:00 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, to consider the following: motion to authorize the issuance of subpoenas for testimony in hearings on the Invalidated 1996 Teamster Election; and other pending Committee business, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight*, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on Implementation of the U.S.-China Nuclear Cooperation Agreement: Whose Interests Are Served? 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to markup the following bills: H.R. 1085, to revise, codify, and enact without substantive change certain general and permanent laws, related to patriotic and national observances, ceremonies, and organizations, as title 36, United States Code, "Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations"; H.R. 2578, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to extend the visa waiver pilot program, and to provide for the collection of data with respect to the number of non-immigrants who remain in the United States after the expiration of the period of stay authorized by the Attorney General; H.R. 1534, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 1997; H.R. 992, Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act of 1997; H.R. 1967, to amend title 17, United States Code, to provide that the distribution before January 1, 1978, of a phonorecord shall not for any purpose constitute a publication of the musical work embodied therein; and H.R. 2265, No Electronic Theft (NET) Act, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Forest and Forest Health, to markup the following bills: H.R. 1739, BWCAW Accessibility and Fairness Act of 1997; H.R. 1309, to provide for an exchange of lands with the city of Greeley, Colorado, and The Water Supply and Storage Company to eliminate private inholdings in wilderness areas; and H.R. 434, to provide for the conveyance of small parcels of land in the Carson National Forest and

the Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico, to the village of El Rito and the town of Jemez Springs, New Mexico, 10:00 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, to hold a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2313, to prohibit the construction of any monument, memorial, or other structure at the site of the Iwo Jima Memorial in Arlington, Virginia; S. 731, to extend the legislative authority for construction of the National Peace Garden memorial; and S. 423, to extend the legislative authority for the Board of Regents of Gunston Hall to establish a memorial to honor George Mason; followed by a markup of the following bills: H.R. 2136, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey, at fair market value, certain properties in Clark County, Nevada, to persons who purchased adjacent properties in good faith reliance on land surveys that were subsequently determined to be inaccurate; H.R. 1714, to provide for the acquisition of the Plains Railroad Depot at the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site; H.R. 2283, Arches National Park Expansion Act of 1997; H.R. 755, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals to designate any portion of their income tax overpayments, and to make other contributions, for the benefit of units of the National Park System; and H.R. 1635, National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Act of 1997, 10:00 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2107, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998; Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2158, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998; and Senate amendments to H.R. 1122, Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1997, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Countdown to Kyoto Part I: The Science of the Global Climate Change Agreement, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, October 7, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, to hold a briefing on the Caspian Sea Oil Field/Pipeline, 3 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Conferees*, on H.R. 2264, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, 3:30 p.m., S-128, Capitol.